

Greetings!

The year is drawing to a close and we find from our records that our sales for 1921 are far in excess of our expectations. They represent more merchandise than we ever sold before in the same length of time, and in view of the dire predictions of the pessimist and the real unfavorable conditions throughout the country.

We feel greatly encouraged and desire to express our hearty appreciation of the patronage of our customers who have made this success possible. We feel like our merchandise, our service and our prices are appreciated.

We are looking to the future full of hope and are expecting a big business during the coming year. We are already making preparations for Spring trade and our stocks in all departments will be larger and more attractive than ever before. As usual, our lines will be standard and our prices guaranteed as low as can be found anywhere.

We thank all of our friends and customers everywhere for their generous patronage during 1921, and wish for them and their dear ones in their homes all the comfort and happiness of the Yuletide and abundant success and prosperity during the coming year.

Draper-Draper Co.

CHRISTMAS

GROCERIES, CANDIES AND TOYS

Just received a fine line of Christmas Groceries and Toys. Old Santa Claus arrived earlier this time than common, and it will pay you to shop early. You will find here:

Oranges Nuts of all kinds
Apples Monkeys
Bananas Horns
Figs Dolls

Raisins Wagons, etc.

2, 3 and 5 pound boxes of the best grade Chocolates, an ideal Christmas gift.

My line of groceries are the freshest the market affords. Shop With Me and Save Money.

HAILE'S GROCERY

GAINESBORO

Farm For Sale

Forty acre Farm, 11 room house, good barn and other out buildings, 300 young trees, splendid neighborhood, within mile of three churches, 3 miles to Cookeville and equal distance to Algood, good road, 2 fine springs, ideal location in every way.

Call or write

J. FRANK TURNER,

COOKEVILLE, TENN.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Rhode Island Red and White Leghorn chickens. For further information call, write or see Mrs. G. Lee McGlason, Gainesboro, Tenn. If you want laying chickens there is no better.

If you want your relatives to think of each week in 1922 send them the Sentinel.

Tells Citizens How to Not Observe Christmas.

Yuby Dam, U. S. A.

We are now wading into the beging edge of Christmas, fixing to celebrate the birth of that man of Galilee, whom they hanged upon a tree, for our redemption.

You have not at all times celebrated His advent into this world in an appropriate manner. This day should be celebrated in a sober, charitable way. In prayer and meditation. So, let me admonish you not to be found this time staggering around with that Bacchanalian crowd of noisy revelers, swallowing down lace coffees, egg-nogs, ginger stews and cocktails and soaking your unholy bodies with the various varieties of bewitching toddies.

Neither are you supposed to step around in this lopsided world among God's poor with your sock full of goodies and your craw full of sugar plums and never drop a crumb.

Remember, while you are sitting snug and warm, with your plaid linsey on, safe from the chills of the storm, that your neighbor has long since come to the patch. His clothes very near vanished and gone and icy-footed chills galloping up and down his back-bone. Do not forget that you are in a very large measure your brother's keeper, and that the "Big Eye" is ever watching your modus operandi, and if you don't step circumspect the fur will fly by and by.

You have stood too long with your slot-machine-hand by the side of your fellowman.

So now hoping you will divide up, I will "dry up."

The imperishable

Slicker Snake.

P. S. Notice: Free soup at all of my soup stands in Lower Bill Town, Gad Town, and Yuby Dam. Come take bowl about with me until New Year's day. This soup is without price and without money, so come along.—Clipping from the Bill Town Whizzer.

Methodist Church Sunday Night, Dec. 25.

Subject "CHRIST, THE WORLD'S EMANCIPATOR." Subject for Sunday night January 1st:

"SECOND COMING OF CHRIST."

K. A. Early, Pastor.

WHITLEYVILLE.

Uncle Dock Hix is not expected to recover.

Pole Wilson and family have moved into our midsts. We are glad to have them with us.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sadler, and Mr. and Mrs. Rad Willmore and Mr. and Mrs. Fine Willmore were the Sunday guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Quarles.

Miss Ida Hix and Mrs. Daniel Hix spent Sunday with Harley Jenkins and wife.

Bedford Bailey of Big Bottom, visited here Sunday.

Mrs. Miles Anderson is no better.

B. Gaines, wife and daughter Eugene, were the recent guests of R. E. Gaines and wife.

Dr. Quarles is on the sick list. W. I. Kittrell and Foster Crowder visited Uncle Dock Hix a few days ago.

We wish the editor and all the readers of the Sentinel a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

AUCTIONEER VON RAY

Graduate Missouri Auction School. Sells anything, anywhere for the high dollar. Address me at

PORTLAND, TENN.

for dates and terms.

NEW ADDITION OF TOWN LOTS PROPOSED.

A Big Step In The Right Direction.

We have been reliably informed that M. P. Bailey has bought half interest in the B. L. Quarles section of bottom land in the eastern part of town, consisting of several acres, and have staked it off into seven large building lots, which will be offered for sale at once.

Each lot has a 90 foot front and all the room that is necessary for a garden, barn and other out houses. Prices of these lots, we are told, will be very reasonable and on easy terms. So, if you are in the market for an ideal location in Gainesboro, this is an opening for you right in the prettiest spot in the town.

We can't imagine anything that would be of more important to the welfare of the town than the selling of these lots. Its a big step in the right direction, and one that should have been taken years ago. The town can't grow unless something of this nature takes place, so lets get behind these gentlemen and lend all the assistance we can. Tell your friends about it. Every citizen of the town should be interested.

TO SANTA CLAUS.

Dear old Santa:
I want a tricycle, Santa dear, by the 24th I'll expect it here. I live in Lebanon, Tennessee. Please don't fail to visit me.

Will Taylor Brooks.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 20th.
Dear Mr. Tardy:
Put my letter in the Sentinel so old "Santa" wont forget me.

I want a smoking jacket, and something to make my lips quit quivering; some of Dr. Matt Keith's nerve tonic and a pretty girl. I've got everything else old Santa, so that's all.

Y. H. T.

Lynch Gets Mere Stills and Wildcaters.

Federal Prohibition officer H. J. Lynch, assisted Sam Whitaker, raided a still on Cain Island, a few miles north of this place, Friday afternoon and arrested A. Myatt and Nathan Hix, who claimed to be owners of the still, and destroyed about 500 gallon of beer. They also found six bushels of meal at the place. The operators were getting ready to make a run when the officers stepped out and said "hands up." They were taken to Cookeville that evening and turned over to the federal authorities.

Sheriff Makes Raid.

Sheriff Spurlock brought in a 40 gallon still pot Saturday, after making a round in Talley's hollow. He destroyed several hundred gallons of beer and some alcohol which he found at the still. The operators made good their escape, but the sheriff says he knows who they are and will make the arrests this week, warrants having already been issued.

New Bethel School To Close Friday.

The New Bethel school will close Friday, Dec. 23. An appropriate Christmas will be rendered, beginning at 11 a. m. This has been a very successful term, the teachers and pupils have done some real hard work and much interest has been manifested during the term by both patrons and pupils.

CHRISTMAS BAN IN 1643

Yuletide Observance Was Not Permitted by Edict of "Roundhead Parliament" in England.

IN THE northern part of Europe the ancient people kindled great fires to their gods, Odin and Thor, and sacrifices of men and cattle were made. The ancient Goths and Saxons termed this festival or feast "Yule," and we still use the word "Yuletide" in our day. Among the Teutons this holiday season was celebrated by decorating giant fir trees. The decorations consisted of lights, nuts, balls, golden apples and animals. These were to symbolize flashes of lightning, moon, stars and sun, while the animals represented sacrifices.

Christmas was not among the early festivals of the church. We find the first evidence of the feast from Egypt, according to the historians of the church, and December 25 was not the day on which it was universally celebrated. It was not until the Fourth or Fifth centuries that the celebration of the festival on this day spread to the East. The Nativity was celebrated December 25 at Rome before 354, and at Constantinople, not prior to 370.

As paganism began to be supplanted by Christianity, many of the old customs were taken and handed down through the generations. In the Anglo-Saxon days of King Alfred the holiday season began December 16 and closed January 6. When Puritanism arose in England the fate of Christmas was threatened for a time, and even extended to this country, since the Puritans brought along with them to New England a feeling against the celebration of Christmas.

In 1643 the "Roundhead parliament" in England put a ban on the observance of Christmas. The court of Massachusetts in 1659 followed England's example and Christmas was put under a ban there. With the restoration of the English royalty the restoration of Christmas was brought about, and Massachusetts again followed England's example and in 1681 the ban was lifted. From this time on Christmas has remained, and is now celebrated throughout the entire civilized world.

A Christmas "Suppose"

WE would not change the children's Christmas. But suppose all the grown-up people were to say to one another: "This year, instead of my giving you a present and your giving me a present, let us club together and give our present to some poor child who will not have any Christmas. There are hundreds of them somewhere. Or, if we do not know of such a child, let us give our present to a hospital for children, a home for crippled children, for incurables, for the aged, the blind, the feeble-minded." This to be, of course, in addition to what we usually give to charities at this season. Why could we not try this as an experiment, and see what the result would be?—Christian Register.

Russia's Christmas Comes Late.

In Russia Christmas occurs 13 days after our own. Perhaps one of the most interesting customs of the season is the Russian Christmas feast, for old and young alike, for which they dress themselves in various masquerading costumes and visit house after house, accepting the hospitality of their neighbors. The Christmas season is also notable for the fact that the young girls try to find out whether they will be married during the ensuing year or not. Some of them at twelve o'clock on Christmas Eve, secretly go out into the street and ask the first man they meet what his name is. Whatever name he gives will be that borne by their future husbands—such is the belief. Some of the girls are very much disappointed when the name is not a nice one, or when the man, as he will sometimes, calls himself Satan or something similar.



HOME MADE

"Making many Christmas presents this year?"
"Yes, it's much cheaper than buying them."

Chain Bracelet Gifts.

Such a gay, trifling, and sure-to-be-liked gift for a young school girl would be a very fine chain bracelet of white gold. It must be so fine as to be a mere thread, and from it should swing several of the little Parisian novelty animals in gold or enamel. For the girl who dances, there's a dainty little French diamond-shaped bag of black tulle or brocade which is extremely new. Inside are tucked a wee mirror, powder puff and lip stick and a miniature change purse.

Fun With Christmas Parcels



LAST year we had much more fun over the Christmas tree than ever before because each parcel was wrapped in such a way that it was impossible to guess what it contained.

To stimulate the children's ingenuity, a prize of a box of candy was offered to the member of the family who displayed the greatest cleverness in wrapping gifts. This was won by eight-year-old Jack. He hung a string of remarkably lifelike sausages upon the tree, as an offering to his mother. When the strings were untied half-



dozen hemstitched handkerchiefs tumbled out. Each handkerchief had first been rolled in a small cardboard and then wrapped in mottled paper. A close second to Jack's was a fountain pen concealed in a candle made of thin pasteboard wrapped in white tissue paper twisted to a point at the top to represent the wick and blackened with a drop of ink to show that the wick had been lighted. This was stuck into the kitchen candlestick before placing it under the tree where it presented a very realistic appearance.

A wrist watch was hidden in a bouquet of paper flowers. The tiny watch hid itself in the heart of a huge American Beauty that formed the center blossom of this masterpiece. A bracelet was concealed among the stems and the wide ribbon which tied them together.

This year, a silk umbrella is to be disguised as a dachshund by first wrapping it in strong paper and then twisting a wire around each end and bending the ends up to form the short legs of "long bewow." Another bit of paper twisted on the ferrule forms the tail. The crook handle of the umbrella is padded with cotton batting for the head and the whole thing covered with brown crepe paper. Two big pins are used for eyes.

Small gifts are the easiest of all to make mysterious. They can be hidden in imitation apples, bananas, oranges or other kinds of fruit or paper cornucopias or drums. A set of dollies has been made into Old Glory by using crepe paper covered with American flags. Two of these were cut out, pasted on cardboard and fastened together on each side of the flat package of dollies and a small stick attached to one end. This will "wave" most effectively from the Christmas tree.



A bottle of cologne is made into a doll. A round cake of soap forms the head which is swathed in a frilly cap of white crepe paper. Eyes, nose and mouth are lightly traced upon its vacant countenance in water colors. The head is tied to the top of the bottle, the long dress of white crepe paper put on, and another twist of paper runs crosswise for arms.—Paula Robinson in Farmer's Wife.

CHRISTMAS FOR THE BABIES.

Never deny the babies their Christmas! It is the shining seal set upon a year of happiness. Let them believe in Santa Claus, or St. Nicholas, or Kriss Kringle, or whatever name the jolly Dutch saint bears in your region.—Marion Harland.

DON'T BUILD POULTRY HOUSE TOO WIDE OR TOO HIGH

A poultry house should not be so wide that the sun cannot reach the back of the house, says Mrs. Kate M. Wells, poultry specialist, Division of Extension, University of Tennessee, or it will be damp. Eighteen feet is a convenient width for a large house if there are no alleyways.

The house should be built as low as possible without danger of attendants bumping their heads against the ceiling. A low house is more easily warmed than a high one. Dimensions recommended by Mrs. Wells are 5 feet high at back and 7 to 8 feet high in front.

The size of the building required will depend largely on the number of fowls to be kept and on the size of the flocks. From 25 to 100 seems to be about as many as is safe and economical to keep together. With flocks of this size about 4 square feet of floor space should be allotted to each bird, which will suffice in most cases where careful attention is given to cleanliness and ventilation. Three to 3½ square feet is enough for Leghorns in large flocks. If the fowls are kept in smaller flocks a little more floor space per bird will be needed. Where the climate is so mild that it is unnecessary to keep the fowls confined, except for a few days at a time, and especially if the fowls are kept in small colony houses, less space per bird will be sufficient. The smaller breeds, being more active and restless require about as much room as the larger breeds.